



## Strong Towns Ad Hoc Leadership Team

April 13, 2023

8:30am

Development Center Conference Room A, 225 N Webster Ave.  
Norman, OK 73069

### Minutes

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### Attendance

#### Present

Anna Hyslop  
Cameron Brewer  
Corey Godine  
Erin Rice  
Evan Rink  
Kathryn Morris-Scott  
Kelly Sitzman  
Misty Grantham  
Rebecca Perot-Tripp  
Rick McKinney  
Russell Kaplan  
Tanner Morton  
Taylor Davis  
Todd Hower  
Zach Stevens

#### Absent

Amy Cerato  
Andy Sherrer  
Brian Hilgenfeld  
Curtis McCarty  
Heath Tate  
Jayke Flaggert  
Maria Kindle  
Ryan Streight  
Tara Casillas  
Thomas (Scott) Christian  
Travis Dennis  
Tyler McManaman

### Agenda Item

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- Chair Cameron Brewer called the meeting to order at 8:34a.m.
- Each committee member introduced themselves, what ward they live in, how much they know about Strong Towns, and favorite education and fun book.
- Cameron Brewer discussed that we have a good mix with those that are very familiar with Strong Towns and others that just learned about it. He mentioned that it is important to know that we are in a room with intelligent people that are wanting to learn more.

**2. Discuss purpose and scope of Strong Towns committee.**

- The scope of Strong Towns Leadership Team Committee.
  - o Mr. Brewer pointed out that the Strong Towns Kick-Off was confusing on what everyone's role was.
  - o Mr. Brewer stated we will be looking at small things that we can change that can overall change the bigger picture.
- The purpose of Strong Towns Leadership Team Committee.
  - o Committee members sent in a few key items they would like to focus on. All of these items were put into a document that everyone can go over and make a "laundry list" that staff and council can look at and work off over the next 50 years.
  - o Mr. Brewer pointed out that we have an engaged smart group of people that want to help and are going to take a deep dive into the issues.

**3. Schedule**

**a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays @ 8:30 AM each month**

- Mr. Brewer stated that we have the ability to cancel meetings if we don't need to meet that month.

**b. Strong Towns Staff Check-In – Monday April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 10 AM**

- These will occur quarterly

**4. Discuss Strong Towns Academy access for committee members and schedule of curriculum.**

- Mr. Brewer informed everyone that they will be getting access to the Strong Towns Academy to give there more material.
- Mr. Brewer brought up maybe having staff guidance on certain items to make sure the correct information is discussed.


**5. Discuss and establish topics for future committee discussion.**

- Rebecca Perot-Tripp feels we are lacking student representation from both High School and College.
- Kathryn Morris-Scott asked if we have the ability to change the committee. Council Member Peacock stated that they got application and selected from those but did make the comments about needing more diversity.
- Tanner Morton asked stated that we don't really have a deliverable so are we just making a list of recommendations?
- Cameron Brewer responded stated that we are going to see if we can work with the Comp Plan and have a list of areas we have focused on so Comp Plan doesn't have to.
- Council Member Peacock stated that for a town that is big on sales tax, we are losing out on a lot from requiring large parking lots as those items could be used for more retail.
- Ms. Perot-Tripp pointed out that timing is really important and we need to focus on cultural pieces as well as mechanical pieces.
- Ms. Morris-Scott stated that transportation is a huge item to discuss.

**6. Define geographic focus areas for strong towns committee planning.**

- Each committee member was asked to place 5 dots on the maps on areas that they think are worth discussing.
- This exercise started at 9:48 a.m. and everyone left once they were done.

Passed and approved this 11 th day of May, 2023.

  
Cameron Brewer, Chair  
Strong Towns Ad Hoc Committee